



St John's Green Primary School.

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Newsletter

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Diary Dates

Monday 27th–Friday 31st October—Half Term & Sponsored Reading Week

Tuesday 4th November—Animal Dressing Up Day—in aid of RSPCA—£1

Tuesday 4th November—Danbury, Year 4 Residential, Information Meeting for Year 4 parents in class Castle (Town Site) @ 6.00p.m.

Friday 19th December—Last day of Autumn Term

Informal Parents Evening

Thank you to everyone who was able to come and spend time at the school yesterday evening, looking at your children's work. It was lovely to see so many people in and around both the school sites.

Please do remember that class teachers

are always available at the beginning and end of the day for a quick chat and if you'd like to meet with them for longer, will make the time. Please also refer back to your child's first Assessment Period Report and use it as a guide for ways in which you can support your children in their learning at school.



Kingswood—Year 6 Residential 2015

Thank you to all those Year 5 parents who were able to come to the information meeting last night about the Year 6 Residential (September) 2015. For those parents that couldn't make it, the information letters are being sent out today. Please remember that the deposit for Kingswood of £40 needs to be paid by Friday 21st November.



Swimming

Please remember that if you decided to pay for swimming half termly then the second payment of £16.50 needs to be paid straight after half term.



Pottage...

After peeling, chopping, cutting, stirring, mixing and cooking—Year 3 were the proud owners of a very large pot of pottage this week. Fortunately, with extreme cunning I had made sure I was at the Town site to receive my bowl. Unfortunately, my memory of pottage may have been a little fragile as the taste was not quite as I'd remembered!

The majority of the children on the other hand, clearly revelling in their creative cooking talents couldn't get enough—with Mr Eves serving portion after portion. Well done class Dutch.



Awards

Tigger Award (Trinovantes) - Ali Abou-Wafia

Pluto Award (Iceni) - Gus Birchmore

Eeyore Award (Oysters) - Ruby Sunderland

Winnie the Pooh Award (Castle) - Jayden Martin

Lion Award (Dutch) - Lucian Tompkins

Sully Award (Mercury) - Chloe Catrall

Diddle Award (Claudius) - Fern Flemming

Scrappy Award (Eagles) - Gullu Cetinkaya

Bumble Award (Circus) - Noah Cahill

Stitch Award (Daffodils) - Aws Al-Khalidi

Mickey Award (Roses) - Amy O'Gorman

Hathi Award (Snowdrops) - Mia Wren

Heads' Award - Castle

Spot—Riley White

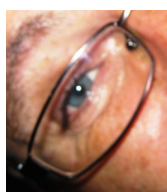
Newsletter Challenge

Each week we will print a partial photograph of an object in the school. All the children have to do is say what the object is and where in the school the object is.

The partial photo from last week was from the school name on the building at Abbey Site.

This week, a new partial photo...

If you are on Town Site—answers to Mr. Bates door. If on Abbey Site—answers to Mrs Smith's door.



Class Castle Norman Walk

On Tuesday, Mr. Bates took class Castle for a historic walk around Colchester as they finished off their work on the Normans. The children visited Colchester Castle, St Botolph's Priory and St John's Abbeygate. Both the Castle and Priory were built over 900 years ago and the Abbeygate, although built in the 15th century, was part of St John's Abbey, an enormous construction from Norman times but no longer with us. After their historical tour—it was back to the classroom and some quite fantastic writing—well done Year 4.



School Dinner Menu

If you have not yet returned a school dinner menu for your child for this cycle could I please urge you to do so as soon as possible. The dinner menu is available on the school website under the 'School Dinner' tab.

Silent Song

On Tuesday, we were lucky enough to take some of our Year 6 children to a production called 'Silent Song' which had been commissioned by Essex SACRE.

The play was based on WWI and whilst there the children got to take part in an engaging and interactive play,



Ready, Steady, Read

Please don't forget the School Sponsored Read which will be taking place after Half Term.

The Sponsored Read is being led by a representative from Usborne Books and as stated in the newsletter last week, all the money raised will go to buying new books for the school.

The reading log, has been sent out today with your children.

Please do spend some time each day next week, reading and sharing books with your children.

And Finally...

At Parents Evening last night I asked Mrs Bullivant if she could take a few photographs of children, parents and staff whilst I was with Year 5 parents talking about Kingswood. I'm not entirely sure how the photo of the floor, that Mrs Bullivant presented me with counts—clearly Mrs Bullivant's talents lie elsewhere....

Have a good weekend

Simon Billings



AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS – AUTUMN TERM

If you are interested in your child joining a club, please confirm your child's place with the School Office.

Parents do need to confirm their interest in these clubs. There are restricted numbers on all clubs. Places will be on a strictly, first come, first served basis. Waiting lists will be kept for some clubs if necessary!

Please speak to the school office regarding payments for Football and Dance Club.

The following clubs are all starting week beginning - Monday 3rd November.

Further details regarding additional after-school clubs will be sent out on the newsletter after half-term.

DAY	CLUB
MONDAY	Homework Club- YEARS 2/3/4 – 3.15 – 4.15 p.m. – Town Site – FREE
MONDAY	Dance Club – Louise (Carolyn's School of Dance) – 3.15 – 4.15 p.m. YEARS. 2/3/4- £15.00 to be paid during first 2 weeks to secure place at Town Site
MONDAY	Library Club – 3.20 – 4.15 p.m. – SC - All children/parents invited to Town Site
TUESDAY	Football Club (Chelsea FC) – YEARS 2/3/4 3.15 – 4.15 p.m. - £15.00 for Autumn Term – Town Site
WEDNESDAY	Football Club (Chelsea FC) – YEARS 5/6 3.15-4.15 p.m. - £15.00 for Autumn Term – Abbeyfield Site
WEDNESDAY	Drama Club – YEARS 5/6 – 3.00 – 4.00 p.m. – Abbeyfield Site - FREE
THURSDAY	Dance Club (YEAR 1) – Louise (Carolyn's School of Dance) – 3.00 - 4.00 p.m. – £15.00 to be paid during first 2 weeks to secure place
THURSDAY	Cheerleading – YEARS 2/3/4 – 3.15 – 4.15 p.m. – TOWN SITE - FREE
THURSDAY	Computer Club – YEARS 2/3/4 – 3.15 – 4.15 p.m. – TOWN SITE – FREE

PLEASE REMEMBER FOR ALL CLUBS CHILDREN NEED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE UNDERCOVER AREA AT THE REAR OF THE SCHOOL AT TOWN SITE AND FROM THE PLAYGROUND AT THE REAR OF THE SCHOOL AT ABBEYFIELDS SITE